

# W. C. T. U. Column.

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W. C. T. U. WATCHWORDS:  
ORGANIZE! EDUCATE! AGITATE!

## W. C. T. U. PRINCIPLES:

Total Abstinence: Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic; One Standard of Morals for Men and Women; Home Protection; Equal Suffrage; and the Teaching of Scientific Temperance in Public Schools.

## Personal Liberty.

We confine the insane and the epileptic and disolate contagiously diseased, but permit the drunkard absolute freedom of indulgence. Yet when we suggest the rational thing to do, the saloon apologist cries out against encroachment upon personal liberty. Individual liberty of conscience, thought and action, within certain limitations, is the priceless heritage of every American, and it is a principle that should be guarded with jealous vigilance. It is the ideal political state of man, but is subject to one other principle—the comfort, virtue and welfare of the community. Absolute personal freedom is impossible. It is the dream of the anarchist only. Whenever there is a law, and law is necessary for our very existence, there are checks and limitations on personal liberty. In fact, every law of God and man restricts the liberty of the individual. We deny the right of the thief to take things of value by stealth. We deny the right of the embezzler to take by deceit. We deny the right of the property owner to construct buildings of inflammable materials within the fire limits of the city. We deny the sportsman the right of killing game out of season. We deny the right of marriage without license and a prescribed ceremony. We deny the use of firearms within the limits of an incorporated city. We deny the right of a man afflicted with certain contagious diseases to mingle with his fellows. Why, then, should we not in perfect harmony with our institutions and the fundamental principles of our government eliminate the greatest plague in our social organism, the liquor traffic?—Gov. Hay of Washington.

## We are Incorporated.

When this issue of the *Amethyst* reaches its readers, the Assembly's Committee will have been duly incorporated under the laws of the state of Pennsylvania in accordance with the authorization of the last General Assembly. This practically makes the Temperance Committee one of the regular Boards of the Church, and ought to bring to it the same generous bequests with which Presbyterians have remembered other agencies of the denomination. Home and Foreign Missions are important and sacred, so are the other causes represented by the several Boards, but none of them is more needed or deserving, or can use funds to better advantage for the advancement of Christ's kingdom than the Permanent Committee on Temperance of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., incorporated under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, which is the legal title of this body.

Let us hope that strength may be given to this arm which reaches out where humanity sins and suffers and gasps and dies; where little children live in pain and poverty; where wives and mothers serve and sacrifice; where all the relationships of human life are marred and scorched and stained by the blood which flows from the iniquitous fountain of strong drink.

Friend, sit down quickly and write your check to Rev. John F. Hill, Treasurer, 72 Conestoga Building, Pittsburg, Pa., or put a clause in your will insuring that a part of that which has been entrusted to you shall work in this righteous cause when you have passed from labor to reward.—*The Amethyst*.

## High Authority.

Justice Walter Clark, of the Supreme Court of N. C., furnishes the following facts from the court records for two years: "Crime has been reduced fifty per cent.; murder in the first degree has declined thirty-two per cent.; burglary twenty per cent.; attacks with deadly weapons thirty per cent.; larceny forty per cent.; murder in second degree twenty-one per cent.; minor crimes from twenty-five to fifty-five per cent.; and a decrease of the violations of the anti-liquor laws of fifteen per cent." And yet the Liquor League men will say that crime

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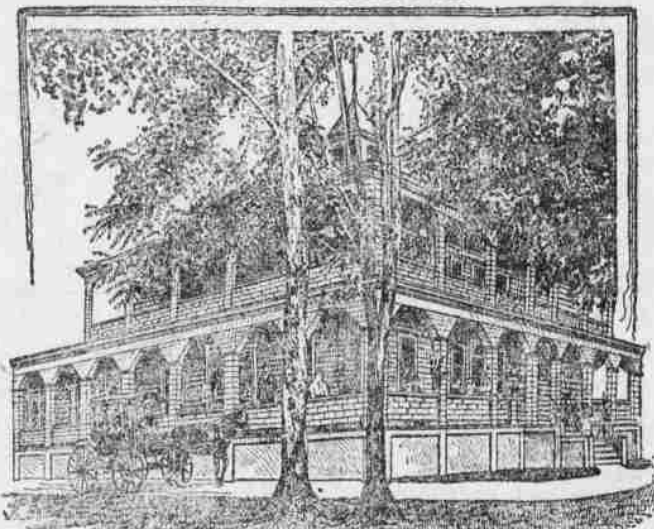
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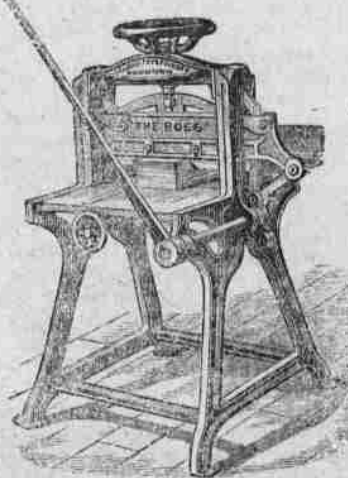
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